ENGLAND GCSE MUSIC EDEXCEL · UNIT 3 · 25 QUESTIONS

Music for Stage and Screen — Practice Test

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1 **A guitar leans against a wall in a practice room. Who composed the Star Wars Main Title?**

- A James Horner, in some situations
- B Hans Zimmer
- C Howard Shore
- D John Williams

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2 **Headphones rest on a desk beside a laptop. What is the full title of the Star Wars set work?**

- A Main Title and Cantina Band
- B Main Title and Imperial March
- C Main Title and Duel of the Fates, in some situations
- D Main Title and Rebel Blockade Runner

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3 **A vinyl record sits on a record player. In which year was John Williams born?**

- A 1952
- B 1922
- C 1942
- D 1932

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4 **A drum waits on a stage. In which year did Wicked open on Broadway?**

- A 1998
- B 2003
- C 2013
- D 2008

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5 **A music stand stands in a school hall. What tempo marking is given at bar 20 of Defying Gravity?**

- A Maestoso
- B Andante
- C Allegro
- D Moderato

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6 **A microphone stands in a recording studio. Who sang Glinda on the original Broadway cast recording of Defying Gravity?**

- A Judy Garland
- B Idina Menzel
- C Liza Minnelli, in some situations
- D Kristin Chenoweth

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7 **Which time signature does Defying Gravity settle into after the opening?**

- A 6/8
- B 3/4
- C 12/8
- D 4/4

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8 **At which bar does the first chorus of Defying Gravity begin?**

- A Bar 50
- B Bar 79
- C Bar 34
- D Bar 63

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9 **What scene does the Rebel Blockade Runner music accompany?**

- **A** The cantina scene
- **B** The opening space battle
- **C** The Death Star battle, in some situations
- **D** The medal ceremony

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10 **What dynamic level dominates the fanfare opening of the Main Title?**

- **A** Moderately quiet
- **B** Getting quieter
- **C** Very quiet
- **D** Very loud

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11 **How does Defying Gravity begin?**

- A With a quiet lullaby
- B With a fast dance
- C With a loud brass fanfare, in some situations
- D With free tempo dialogue between the singers

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12 **Which percussion instrument adds drama to the Main Title climaxes?**

- A Tambourine
- B Timpani
- C Triangle
- D Xylophone

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13 **What is a soundtrack?**

A The script of a film

B The trailer of a film, in some situations

C The recorded music of a film

D The poster of a film

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14 **What accompanies the singers in Defying Gravity?**

A A brass band alone, which can happen in some cases

B A solo piano

C A string quartet

D A large theatre orchestra with a rock band

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15 **Who wrote the music and lyrics of Defying Gravity?**

A Stephen Schwartz

B Stephen Sondheim

C Tim Rice

D Andrew Lloyd Webber

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16 **In which key is the Star Wars Main Title?**

A C major

B B flat minor

C G major

D B flat major

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17 **In which year was John Williams born?**

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B 1932

C 1942

D 1952

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18 **Who sang Glinda on the original Broadway cast recording of Defying Gravity?**

A Liza Minnelli, in some situations

B Kristin Chenoweth

C Idina Menzel

D Judy Garland

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19 **What does the brass fanfare at the start of the Main Title signal?**

- A A quiet lullaby
- B A sad farewell
- C The heroic adventure to come
- D The end of the film, in some situations

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20 **In which year did Wicked open in London?**

- A 2006
- B 2016
- C 2010
- D 2003

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21 **Which area of study covers musicals and film music?**

- A Fusions
- B Music for Stage and Screen
- C Vocal Music
- D Instrumental Music 1700-1820

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22 **What does the title Defying Gravity mean in the story?**

- A Elphaba rising above the limits placed on her
- B A flying carpet ride
- C A hot air balloon trip
- D A magic trick with ropes, which can happen in some cases

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23 **Who sings Defying Gravity?**

A Elphaba alone

B Elphaba and Glinda

C Glinda alone

D The Wizard and Elphaba

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24 **How does the middle section of the Main Title differ from the opening?**

A It is played by brass alone, in some situations

B It has no melody

C It is more lyrical and quieter

D It is louder and faster

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ANSWER KEY

1. D
2. D
3. D
4. B
5. B
6. D
7. D
8. A
9. B
10. D
11. D
12. B
13. C
14. D
15. A
16. D
17. B
18. B
19. C
20. A
21. B
22. A
23. B
24. C
25. A

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